

W. C. T. U. OFFICERS

Elected at a Meeting Last Tuesday Afternoon

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union met at the home of Mrs. Georgia Savage last Tuesday afternoon. A goodly number responded to roll call. The president opened the meeting by reading the 12th chapter of Romans, followed by prayer by Mrs. Estes. Song, "Dry Clean Missouri Where You Are." Mrs. Plowman acted as secretary, Mrs. Hall, the regular secretary being absent. Mrs. Willard acted as treasurer. The reports given show Laclede to have the banner union of the 17 in the county. Laclede has added 30 new members the past year and now has a membership of 63. It was decided to give a reception in the near future for the new members and their husbands. Mrs. Patrick read letters from two other unions which were very interesting and greatly enjoyed. The union extended a vote of thanks to the Loyal Temperance Legioners for the gift of \$5.00, half the premium they received on the float picnic day, and each member promised to piece on the L. T. L. quilt block, making a quilt for them to sell in the near future. All other business having been transacted officers for the ensuing years were elected: Mrs. Anna Jones, president; Mrs. Wm. Willard, vice president; Mrs. Eunice Allen, vice president from Baptist church; Mrs. Bessie Smith, vice president from Christian church; Mrs. S. M. Brown, vice president from Methodist church; Mrs. W. E. Shell, treasurer; Mrs. Lillie Hall, recording secretary; Mrs. Wm. Willard, corresponding secretary. Department superintendents will be appointed at the next regular meeting. Mrs. Anna Jones was elected delegate to the state convention to be held at Moberly, with Mrs. Lillie Hall, alternate. After having a very interesting business meeting the lesson was postponed to the next regular meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. Bassett Oct. 12.

Here and There

The Marceline ball team defeated Hannibal 2-0 last Sunday and now claim the championship of North Missouri.

A big tabernacle meeting and Sunday ball games are absorbing the attention of Marceline citizens at the present time.

The high school foot ball team of Chillicothe and the Brookfield team will have a game at Brookfield next Saturday afternoon.

Dave L. Williams, the Linneus marble and monument dealer, has bought property in Marceline and will remove his business to that place.

The October term of the Linn county circuit court convenes at Brookfield next Monday to continue until Saturday. The docket printed in THE BLADE today.

David Minich, age 37, stockman and farmer, was killed six miles south of Marceline Wednesday when his automobile ran into a twelve foot ditch. A wife and one daughter, aged 16, survive him and live in Marceline.

Riley M. Anderson, a former Laclede painter, and Miss Eula V. Asbury were united in marriage at the home of the bride's mother in Brookfield last Saturday evening. The Rev. W. C. Atwood, officiating. They will reside in Brookfield. This is Riley's third plung in the matrimonial sea, both former trials having found their way to the divorce courts.

Prevention and Cure of Colds

During the fall and early winter many persons contract colds which continue to worry them and make them ill for the entire winter. This common cold-in-the-head is a communicable disease. What causes a cold, how to prevent it and how to cure it are important subjects, according to member of the faculty of the school of medicine of the University of Missouri.

There is no special germ that causes a cold, but there are several that may cause one, says this authority. The discharges from the nose, throat and mouth, and the exhalations from the lungs of a person with a cold may contain the infectious agent. Primarily the disease affects the sensitive lining of the nose, causing inflammation. Lowered bodily resistance, caused by extreme fatigue or continued residence in poorly heated places; chilling the body; wet feet; damp clothing predispose the development of a cold. When in such condition, ordinary contact with a person who has a cold may cause one to "take" cold. Oftentimes overeating, causing indigestion, is related to "taking" cold, hence the excellent practice of taking an active purge at the beginning of a cold. A cold usually goes before some more serious disease, therefore it is best to block the progress.

To prevent colds, shun overheated, underheated or irregularly heated rooms and poorly ventilated rooms. Avoid contact with persons who have colds. Use common sense in dressing. When colds are epidemic, avoid places where large numbers of people are congregated.

But in spite of preventive measures we all get colds. A few simple directions for the treatment are given by the University of Missouri physicians. Within the first few hours after you have taken a cold and upon going to bed, takes a large, hot lemonade. Spirituous liquors should be omitted. For a few days the diet should be free from meats, condiments, sweets and pastries. If there is no fever a person may go about his ordinary activities, but it is better to remain one day at home where heating and ventilating conditions may be controlled. If these simple remedies do not control or cure the attack, one should have the advice of a physician promptly.

On a Hobby

"Colonel Gardner at best is a man trying to ride into office on a hobby, and that hobby is a very wobbly land bank bill. The fact that every democratic candidate in the primary attacked the bill does not speak well of it as a democratic measure. The very fact farmers must pay more taxes to raise money for the state to loan shows it is a political trick which does not appeal to intelligent farmers themselves. The necessity for increasing greatly the number of state employes at Jefferson City to receive pay out of the state treasury supported by farmers' taxes helps make the scheme odious, when the intention has been to discontinue the extravagant misuse of funds at Jefferson City. The Gardner scheme will conduce further to the present financial embarrassment of Missouri. If these appointees were to be appointed upon merit tests, that would relieve matters some, but the attorneys who are to examine abstracts and the men who are to value the securities and all others necessary for the operation of the plan are subject to partisan appointment and control. This means enlarged pork barrels—the very thing farmers do not want."—Jno. E. Swanger in Sedalia Capital.

BROTHERHOODS WIN, FARMERS' WIVES LOSE

Democrats Unctuously but Vainly Flatter Themselves That Tillers of the Soil Believe Their Bunk Uplift Laws Will Improve Agricultural Conditions.

FARING WORSE THAN LOWLIEST RAILROAD HAND

Plight of Women Laborers in the Fields Described by President Pope of the Association of State Presidents of the Farmers' Union as More Deplorable Than During the Days of Slavery, and Yet Not a Word Was Spoken in the Last Congress, Which Is Boasting of Its Farm Legislation, About the Woman Who Rakes the Hay and Gathers the Sheaves.

That the increase in pay of members of the four railroad brotherhoods, caused by the enactment of the eight-hour day law by Congress, will rest ultimately upon the farmer was asserted by Henry N. Pope, newly elected president of the Association of State Presidents of the Farmers' Union, in a statement issued by him.

Mr. Pope declared that the farmers of the country stand for a fair wage for both labor and capital and favor an eight-hour working day, but that he personally doubted the wisdom of Congress fixing wages for labor employed by private enterprise. "I doubt," said he, "if it is in the interest of either labor, capital or the people to make the wage schedule of railroad employees a political issue."

The condition of the farmers of the country is worse than that of the most lowly railroad laborer, Mr. Pope stated, with an average farm income of only \$1.47 a day, out of which must be paid the expenses of the family. The condition of women laborers in the fields he describes as worse than during the days of slavery.

Not a Word for Farmers.

"Not a word has been spoken by Congress in defense of the woman who rakes the hay and gathers the sheaves," said Mr. Pope. "Little has been done that has increased the income of the farmer or enabled him to pay a higher wage to his laborers."

"But today we find the highest paid laborers in the world, making three times more money than a farmer, demanding twenty-five per cent increase, and Congress hastening to their relief. This increase must, in the end, rest upon the back of the farmer and will reduce his income, increase his hours of labor, and call for another levy of farm mothers from the home to the field."

"The farmers of this nation must fight to hold what they have and to get what is rightfully theirs from the government. We must do it through organization."

Mr. Pope stated that by the enactment of the eight-hour day law Congress had thrust upon the people of the country a new responsibility and organized labor now stands committed to the principle of government regulation of wages. The government, he said, should fix wages for all classes of railroad employees and should have the power to decrease as well as to increase wages to remedy comparative inequalities.

"Square Deal" for All.

"In my opinion," he continued, "the next session of Congress should readjust the wages of all railroad employees, from railroad president to section laborer, giving all a square deal and fixing a schedule of pay based upon business justice and human rights. I submit a schedule of wages taken from official government reports which presents conclusive evidence of the inequalities of the present daily wage scale of railroad employees:

"General officers, \$16.11; other officers, \$6.49; general office clerks, \$2.53; station agents, \$2.37; other station men, \$1.90; enginemen, \$5.28; firemen, \$3.23; conductors, \$4.49; other trainmen, \$3.11; all shopmen, \$2.37, and trackmen, \$1.50."

Mr. Pope declared that the foregoing schedule showed that the 350,000 section hands in the country were condemned to a life of poverty. He said he believed that Congress, having undertaken to regulate the wages of higher paid employees, should review their wages.

HOME OF THE BRAVE.

"This is the land of the free and the home of the brave, and if it ceases to be the home of the brave it will soon cease to be the land of the free."—Charles E. Hughes in a Speech Delivered at Plattsburg, N. Y.

RUPTURE EXPERT HERE

Seeley, Who Has Supplied U.S. Army and Navy, Called to Chillicothe

F. H. Seeley of Chicago and Philadelphia, the noted truss expert, will be at the Leeper Hotel and will remain in Chillicothe covering Wednesday only, Oct. 4. Mr. Seeley says: "The Spermatie Shield as supplied to the United States Government will not only retain any case of rupture perfectly, but contracts the opening in 10 days on the average case. This instrument received the only award in England and in Spain, producing results without surgery, injections, medical treatments or prescriptions. Mr. Seeley has documents from the United States Government, Washington, D. C. for inspection. All charity cases without charge, or if any interested call, he will be glad to show same without charge or fit them if desired. Business demands prevent stopping at any other place in this section.

P. S.—Every statement in this advertisement has been verified before the Federal and State Courts.—F. H. Seeley.

Col. Gardner's Blunder

In its account of the democratic meeting held at Brookfield last Saturday night, among other things, the Budget of Tuesday, said:

"Colonel Gardner is much heralded as a business man rather than a politician or an orator, but he made a very good talk. Among other things which he said, as his hearers will remember, was that under democratic rule the tax rate in the state of Missouri has been reduced by the democrats to fifteen cents whereas the rate in neighboring republican states is much higher, but he failed to inform his audience—possibly he is uninformed himself—that the state constitution provides that the tax rate should drop to fifteen cents as soon as the assessed valuation of the state should reach the huge amount of \$900,000,000, which occurred about ten years ago, and of course the rate automatically dropped to fifteen cents."

TELL HOW WOMEN VOTE'S WILL CONTROL POLITICS

Congressional Union Leaders Explain the Movement in Opposition to President Wilson.

Just how the decision of the woman's party to oppose President Wilson for re-election is expected to change the national political situation was explained in a statement by suffrage leaders at the headquarters of the Congressional Union for Woman's Suffrage at Washington.

It was pointed out that unless he wins the West the defeat of Mr. Wilson "seems inevitable."

Needed to Offset Loss of Ohio.

To counteract the loss of Ohio alone, which, judging from indications at the primaries, will go with its twenty-four electoral votes to the Republican count, the Democrats will have to win in the West, California, with its thirteen electoral votes; Nevada, with three; Colorado, with six, and Arizona, with three, woman's party representatives here asserted.

"In Idaho the Progressive party is dissolved," they continue, "so that the Democrats will have to work hard to get any electoral votes there. Illinois is practically conceded to the Republicans, in the view of woman's party members, three-fourths or more of the Progressives there having returned to the Republican ranks."

Conditions in Other States.

"In Kansas the Progressives and Republicans are practically one again. In Montana there is great dissatisfaction over the proposed Democratic tax on copper. Oregon and Washington are expected to go Republican. These two states were hit hard by the Panama Canal tolls act and the Democratic tariff is seriously felt by the lumber industry there. Utah is considered safe by the Republicans. In Wyoming the Progressives and Republicans have joined hands."

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